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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. AMBASSADOR WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ASKING GEMOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA IN SANTA MONICA (AREA CODE 213 TEL 829-2991) IF HIS DAUGHTER NANCY NOW REGISTERED FOR NEW YORK SESSION BEGINNING JULY 17 COULD BE TRANSFERRED TO NEW YORK SESSION BEGINNING EARLY OCTOBER.

2. RE STATE 166032, PARA 6, RAY BENSON GOES TO TSELINOGRAD SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT, TO OPEN THE EXHIBIT ON JULY 3, SPEND JULY 4 WITH THE GUIDES, RETURNING THAT EVENING. HE WILL REPORT IN FRONT CHANNEL ON CLIMATE IN TSELINOGRAD. RESTRICTIONS IN TSELINOGRAD ON GUIDE CONTACTS WITH SOVIET CITIZENS ARE PRECISELY AS FOR ALL PREVIOUS EXHIBITS. VERY POSSIBLE THAT "THIRD-HAND REPORTS" REFLECT GUIDES' MORE CAUTIOUS BEHAVIOR, AFTER SOVIET CHARGES AGAINST MASCHIOCCHI AND LUPAN AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE EARLY DEPARTURE SOME WEEKS LATER OF GUIDE SARAH KINSEY.

3. RE STATE 116114, PARA 6, ONE TWOSOME WILL BE TAKING
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THE TRANSIBERIAN RR JULY 6-16: ANN SINGLETON (POL OFFICER'S NANNY) AND ROSEMARY WATES (WIFE OF REUTERS CORRESPONDENT). THEY PLAN TO DEPART MOSCOW ON TRAIN #2 ON JULY 6, STOPPING FOR 27-HOURS IN IRKUTSK (JULY 10), ULAN UDE (JULY 11) AND Khabarovsk (JULY 14), AND RETURNING TO MOSCOW BY AEROFLOT FLIGHT #24 ON JULY 15. COMPLICATIONS: (1) IF FSO WISHES TO TRAVEL

WITH SINGLETON AND WATES, SHE WILL HAVE TO BOOK TWO-BED
FIRST CLASS CABIN FOR HERSELF. THERE IS POSSIBILITY
OF FOURTH PERSON TRAVELING WHO COULD SHARE CABIN, BUT
THIS IS NOT FIRM YET. (2) SINGLETON AND WATES DO NOT
PLAN TO STAY IN HOTELS AT STOPS EN ROUTE, BUT TO SLEEP
IN AIRPORTS TO SAVE MONEY. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER FSO
WISHES TO BE INCLUDED IN PARTY. TOON

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